

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS : Billy KEEFER et al. CONFIRMATION No.: 8442
SERIAL NUMBER : 10/759,705 EXAMINER: Karen C. Tang
FILING DATE : January 15, 2004 ART UNIT: 2451
FOR : SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR AGENT-BASED MONITORING OF NETWORK DEVICES

**REPLY AND AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING
REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed **March 30, 2009**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 033975 (**Ref. No. 019287-0319645**).